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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Aaron J. Shuman	:	
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	:	Examiner: Leon, Edwin A.
Filed: February 7, 2002	:	
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For: ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR	:	
ASSEMBLY	:	

**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated February 18, 2004, and made final, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following amendment:



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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1. We enclose the following documents:

- Amendment Transmittal (4 pages, in duplicate)
- Amendment in Response to Final Office Action dated 02/18/04 (8 pgs)
- Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_ claims small entity status.  
☒ is other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: April 16, 2004

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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
_____ first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
_____ second month	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
_____ third month	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
_____ fourth month	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00
_____ fifth month	\$2,010.00	\$ 1,005.00

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_ An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

OR

- (b) ✓ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL		MINUS		=	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$
INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$43 = \$		x \$86 = \$
— FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$145 = \$		+ \$290 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

- (a) ✓ No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

- (b) \_\_\_\_\_ Total additional fee for claims required \$

## FEE PAYMENT

5. \_\_\_\_\_ Attached is a check in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ✓ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

- ✓ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Other:



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